BELLTOWN

URBAN CENTER VILLAGE

DRAFT STATUS REPORT: Highlight of Neighborhood Plan and Statistics

2009

NEIGHBORHOOD PLAN

Vision

The Denny Regrade Planning Committee has identified five core values as a criteria, we as Denny Regrade, will use to evaluate our neighborhood planning choices. They are consistent with, but not necessarily the same as the City's core values for all neighborhood development. Denny Regrade is an Urban Community concerned with quality of life and built on:

- Social equity
- Economic Viability
- Environmental Stewardship
- Security
- Respect for its Culture and Historical traditions

Key Strategies

- A. Green Streets and Open Space
 Connections Strategy combines a
 series of cost effective actions that
 will add parks and open space for
 Belltown residents.
- B. Strategy to Sustain Belltown's
 Character is a combination of
 recommendations to ensure that
 Belltown is truly a mixed use, mixed
 income, eclectic community that
 provides the broad range of services
 required for a vibrant and healthy
 downtown residential community.
- C. Strategy to Sustain Adequate
 Parking Supply is a combination of activities to ensure that the supply of parking is maintained at a level that is adequate to serve neighborhood residents, businesses and employers.

Community Investment

 As part of the Right of Way Improvement Manual, SDOT provided greater definition for the design of Green Streets, enhancing the ability of streets to provide meaningful greenspace.



Belltown P-Patch

Community Investment (cont)

- Seattle Public Utilities, Parks and Recreation and Department of Transportation have begun working with the community to transform Bell Street from First to Fifth Avenues into a "park boulevard" through the heart of Belltown to create a walkable, comfortable, and well landscaped pedestrian link between Elliott Bay and Denny Park.
- The community worked with consultants to produce a design that turns Vine Street into a street park, a parade of art and nature from Elliott Bay through the heart of Belltown. The community dedicated the first significant improvements - the Cistern Steps – in March of 2005.
- The City acquired the Belltown Cottage property as an addition to the Belltown P-Patch in 1998. The three Seattle Landmarked cottages are the last homes representing a housing style that dominated the neighborhood from the 1850s to the 1920s. The City restored the cottages in 2003. They currently house the Richard Hugo House Literary Center's Artist in Residency program, in partnership with Historic Seattle.
- The Olympic Sculpture Park completed construction of an overpass crossing Elliott Ave and the railroad tracks in 2007. This was funded by Pro Parks Levy and City Cumulative reserve Funds.
- A Neighborhood Matching Fund grant and contributions from Parks and Fisher Properties funded additional lighting, seating, paving and landscape improvements to Tillicum Place Park.
- The Pro Park Levy provided funding to build a community center with a multi-purpose room, kitchen and spaces available for neighborhood events and activities. Options for completing the project have been explored but none of them has been feasible. Parks continues to explore options. The City adopted the Belltown Urban Center Village Design Guideline in August, 2004.
- The City completed the Downtown Historic Resources Survey and Inventory 2007 that documented historic properties in downtown Seattle. The survey and inventory is a component of the City's downtown planning efforts and was conducted in conjunction with the 2006 revisions of the downtown zoning code.
- During the Spring of 2009 SDOT will repair sidewalks and replace trees along 3rd Ave to improve pedestrian safety and the health and vitality of street trees along the corridor. Improvements include: Sidewalk repair to reduce safety hazards; tree pit enlargement; and the installation of new, healthy street trees to replace trees in decline.

Web Links

Neighborhood Plans:

WWW.SEATTLE.GOV/NEIGHBORHOODS/NPI/PLANS

Neighborhood Status Reports:

WWW.SEATTLE.GOV/DPD/PLANNING/ NEIGHBORHOOD_PLANNING/STATUSREPORT

HOUSING & EMPLOYMENT

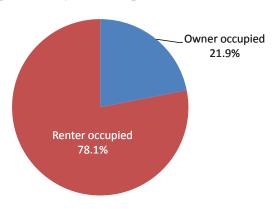
Source: Comprehensive Plan 2024 Growth Targets

Comprehensive Plan 2024 Growth Targets

	Land	Households (HH)				Employment (Jobs)			
Belltown Source: Compre- hensive Plan	Area in Acres	Existing (2004)	Existing Density (HH/Ac)	Growth Target	2024 Density (Est. HH/ Ac.)	Existing (2002)	Existing Density (Jobs/Ac.)	Growth Target	2024 Density (Est. HH/ Ac.)
	220	8,640	39	4,700	61	19,760	90	4,000	108

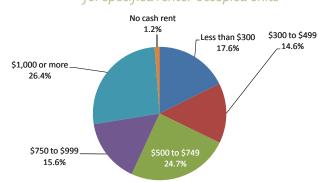
Renter/Owner

for all occupied housing units



Gross Rent

for specified renter-occupied units

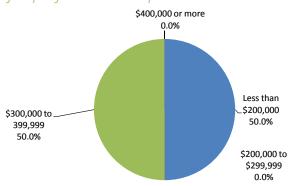


Median gross rent: (specified units paying cash rent) -Belltown: \$600-\$649 -Seattle: \$721

Note: "Gross rent" includes rent and costs for household utilities and fuels. Specified units exclude 1-family houses on ten or more acres

Home Value

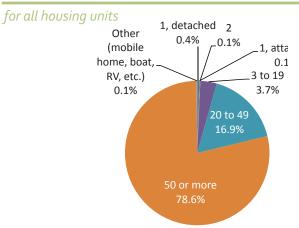
for specified owner-occupied units



Median home value:
-Belltown: \$300,000
(approx.)
-Seattle as a whole:
\$259,600

Note: "Specified owneroccupied units" exclude mobile homes, units--such as condominiums--in multi-unit buildings, and houses on ten or more acres.

Number of Units in Structure

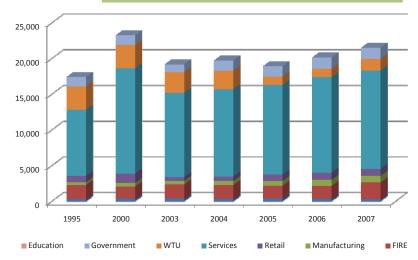


Development Capacity

calculated as of 2007

Housing	9,395 units		
Commercial	3,120,971 (square feet)		
Jobs	11,349		

Employment by Sector

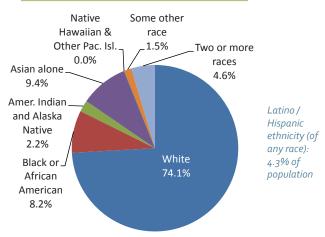


DEMOGRAPHIC SUMMARY

Source: 2000 Census

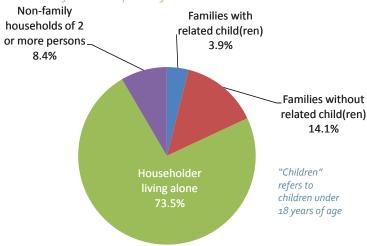
Population	2000	2007*		
*estimate	8,727	11,933		

Race

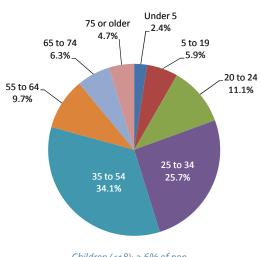


Household Type

Persons for whom poverty status is determined



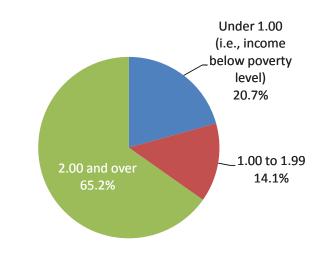
Age



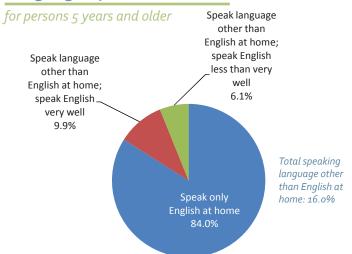
Children (<18): 3.6% of pop. Seniors (65+): 11.0% of pop.

Ratio of Income to Poverty

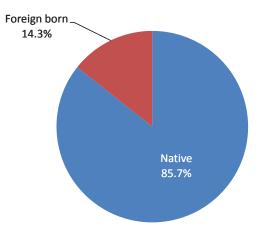
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Language Spoken at Home

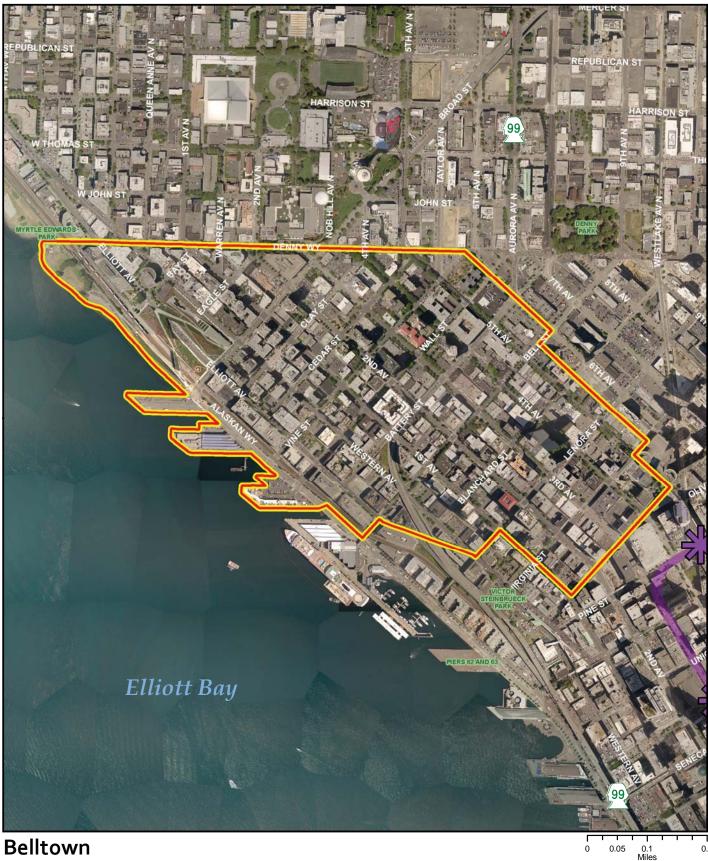


Place of Birth



Entered U.S. within prior 10 years: -47.4% of foreign born 6.8% of total population

Note: Native includes born in U.S., Puerto Rico and other U.S. island areas, and born abroad to American parents



Belltown

Urban Village

Neighborhood Plan Area _____At-Grade / Aerial

Aerial Photo: 2007

LINK Light Rail

****** Stations

Tunnel



Miles

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